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Elsewhere on this page we print extracts from three or four leading New England newspapers concerning the charge of bad faith which President Wilson has brought against President HADLEY and the other New Haven directors in the matter of the agreement for voluntary dissolution. If there remains in any caudid mind the shadow of a doubt that these directors are doing their plain duty to the stockholders of the company in resisting the Massachusetts Legislature's confiscatory condition as to the sale of the Boston and Maine stock, and in going to the courts, if necessary, for the protection of the innocent interests for which they are trustees, that doubt must certainly disappear at first contact with the facts and ethics of the situation so clearly presented from different points of view in these several statements. By his intemperate and ill considered accusation the President has put himself in a very unfortunate position before the people of the terribly shaken, and the passionate recountry and the Deity of Truth.

Dramatists and Rhetoricians.

Whether justice-or that "august and traditions out of which it has great day of European conflict. grown. The Calliaux case is a fresh Defeated by Italy, Turkey was next

foundly happy man since my second as Sardinia united Italy. marriage." Loud sobs from the presdisgracing yourself," says the first wife. ance, which was in fact a Russian cre in this country." self. Our characters were so opposed Entente, she promoted the dissension The offence is exceedingly common in HUERTA that a common life was impossible." among the Balkan allies which result-Every speech counted. Every cue is ed in the second war. taken up. Dramatic dialogue, monobody. Mme. GUEYDAN, returning to her Rumanians in Hungary.

lization, their avidity of sensation and in the triumph of the Serb. human intercourse with compliments between Italy and Austria.

Little dramas are being played all the an army to be reckoned with. time; obscure or vulgar, but never dull, witted spectators encourage or take part in the play.

Of course that admirable rhetoricslang among "the little people," it is true-has little, save these objurgations of its professors among the lower classes, in common with the article so often exposed in Congress and the Legislature. The American political rhetoric is a rug of motley patches, green tween a Ravenna mosaic and a three day black eye. The French have taste 25 even in their moments of bad taste.

THE EVENING SUN (Foreign), Per Mo. 1 03 The Development of the Situation in Europe.

From THE EVENING SUN of yesterday

For the third time in the last five years the two great groups of European Powers, the Triple Alliance and the Triple Entente, stand face to face with the obvious possibility that war may result from the clash of rival purposes. To-day Russia, France and Great Britain are in one camp, Germany, Austria and Italy in the other. and between the two lies the old ques tion of European balance of power.

In 1909, when Austria annexed Bosnia, France, Great Britain and Russia protested. The annexation was in London office, Effingham House, 1 Arundel fact an express violation of the agreement made in the great Congress of Berlin after the Russo-Turkish war. It not merely increased the territory of a member of the Triple Alliance but it extinguished the hope of a little Slav State racially, politically, religiously related to Russia.

At the critical moment in 1909 Germany appeared "in shining armor," declared for Austrian purposes and threw her sword into the balance. Russia and her allies were unready for war and were compelled to accept the crushing and humiliating defeat-but the consequences of the defeat were manifold. From that hour began Russian intriguing in the Balkans to promote that unity which

was presently to destroy Turkey. In 1911, when Germany sent her warship to Agadir, the two groups ame Into collision again. In 1909 Germany had threatened Russla; in 1911 she menaced France, demanding as the price of recognition of a French protectorate in Morocco huge territorial Triple Entente was less compliant, agreed to resist, the result will hardly British fleets assembled, Russian ar- be different. But British statesmen mies were mobilized, and finally LLOYD are unlikely to run the risk of a Ger-GEORGE made the memorable speech man victory which will leave Germany GEORGE made the memorable speech man victory which will leave Germany the atrocities he is charged with. A which amounted to a warning to Gerwith her hands free to fight for naval case in point is the statement by M. many that England stood with France.

Then it was Germany's turn to yield, as it had been Russia's in 1909. Some territorial gain she did make in the swamps of the Ubanghi, but Morocco became French, German prestige was sentment of the German people has her public men.

The defeat of the Triple Alliance and terrible injustice" worshipped of in Morocco was quickly followed by circumstances which makes the pres-M. ANATOLE FRANCE-is better served disasters more serious. Italy went to ent crisis seem the most serious Europe by the American and English or the Continental method of criminal judicial procedure is an ancient and futile question. No doubt each system answers best the needs, habits, temperaments stand with the Triple Alliance on the

illustration of the superiority of the compelled to face the alliance of the loining the brass handle of an antique that the consumer always pays. French, or should we say "Latin"? Balkan States, whose union was the method in dramatic and spectacular direct product of Russian diplomacy. Ayr, and a merciful Judge has puneffect, in opportunity of the parties, With the victories of Lule Burgas, Ku- ished him with a fine. The mitigating witnesses, counsel and Judges them manovo and Jenidje-Vardar, Turkish circumstance was that the precious selves to play their rôles artistically, power in Europe collapsed and the and in the poignant emotion, "pity and small Balkan States, increased by great the offender being a man of wealth. terror" evoked in the spectators, who territorial gain, stood on Austria's It is to be regretted that the lawyer at times act as chorus on one side or southern frontier barring her road to who appeared for the defendant pleaded "Gentlemen," cries M. Callaux to threatening to play the rôle on the the jury, "I am a profoundly un Danube that Sardinia had played on deserves no such extenuation, for he is Jersey, and sales are said to be brisk chappy man. I had been a prothe Po and unite the southern Slavs

"No, Madam, I am not disgracing my ation and an adjunct of the Triple

But again Austria backed the wrong itors and guests are supposed to be clusion. logue, invective, aside, development of horse. Not only was Bulgaria defeated character, M. Alfred Carus, who is in and Servia still further increased in who feel the reproach of the Scotch court, must think he is at a rehearsal. territory and in prestige, but Austrian Judge's observation will rejoice that "You know nothing about it," the origin support for Bulgaria had alienated Ru- he made an example of their countrynal Mme. Calllaux says to the Judge. mania, hitherto the steadfast friend of man, and they will be sorry that he was "telling him his fact," so to speak, the Triple Alliance, and precisely as so easy on the desecrator. Even Maître Labort weeps. He salutes the Servians began to dream of regainthe letters, likewise the sorrow of Mme. ing Bosnia and Herzegovina Rumania GUEYDAN. Everybody "salutes" every- cast envious eyes on the millions of

We speak of this in no comic spirit was weakened at home. Half the popu- to be marked across the bridge of his or intention of disparagement. No lation of the Dual Monarchy is Slay, nose with a faint pinkish scar or welt, doubt the facts will be brought out but the ruling races are German and slightly off the horizontal. If so, it is just as well as under the more ponder- Magyar. Austrian bullying of Servia the brand of a horsewhip, and all is ous system, and the intellectual charm provoked protest, riot, disorder, at accounted for. of the performance is great. Every-home. In Bohemia, Croatia, Galicia, body knows the dramatic genius of the | Slav populations protested in vain, but French; and their refinement of civi- found cause for hope and enthusiasm

delicacy of keenest intelligence are Only one diplomatic triumph Austria succeed in making New York a "dogas apparent in their court trials as in brought home in her campaign. Ser- less" town, we agree with him that an their literature. And their rhetoric, vian aspirations for a "window on the apartment house is not the habitat a dog too: VERNON LEE, born in France, con- sea" were thwarted and the Albanian should have, and that the paved streets tesses that every time she returns there kingdom was created. But no sooner and sidewalks do not make good rangshe begins to talk "rhetoric." By that had it been created than the rival aming ground for the dog. It is infinitely she means an Attic and not an Asiatic bitions of Italy and Austria began to better off in the suburbs or country, and rhetoric; the making of happy and pol- clash and European observers forecast no lover of the animal would object to "It shall be thine to set the captive free ished phrases, of treating language and a quarrel between Austria and Italy ordinances reducing the number of dogs conversation as fine arts, of enriching such as Schleswig-Holstein provoked in the city.

and ironles. A motorbus driver is Thus, on the edge of the present should there be an outcry if dogs were On desolate thrones all hope is washed away full of rhetoric and dramatic instinct crisis the Triple Alliance found itself to be excluded from all apartment when he engages in a war of words in a badly weakened condition. Aus houses? The private tiouse with a with the old woman with the basket tria on her southern boundary was con- yard in the rear presents a different of thou of strong desire, believing much! who runs vainly for his chariot, re- fronted with Serb and Rumanian case. It would be arbitrary to deny And yet, lest judgment on thine own head proaching ardently as she runs. She, armies, whose fighting capacity was the tenant ownership of a flog if he watch well the prayer, for lo. I answer all!"

stinct. Driver and woman are both would be promoted by Austrian disrup- a dog hater will have to admit that a THE PRESIDENT AND THE NEW conscious of the audience of passengers tion. Greece, too, excluded from North dog affords better protection to a and onlookers from the cafe terraces. Epirus by Italy, had been driven to house than the policeman on patrol, What is all outdoor Paris but a theatre? the Entente and possessed a fleet and and has its value as a companion.

At home Austria faced growing rhetoricians are contending. Sharp disorder. Her Slav populations, their racial pride and confidence roused by Servian and Bulgarian victories, no highly objurgative and recking with persecutions of Germans and Hun-fresh air. garians. Disloyalty was on the increase on all sides, and Austria seemed about to succeed Turkey as "the Sfck Man of Europe."

In this situation German papers and public men began to demand that the clash between and purple and yellow, something be- Triple Alliance and the Triple Entente should be postponed no longer. Time plainly was with the enemy. Austria was growing weaker. Austro-Italian rivalry in Albania as well as secular rivalry in Trieste and the Trentino plainly promised future quarrels which might destroy the fighting value of the Triple Alliance and leave Germany alone between France and Russia.

It is the German temper which makes the present crisis serious. At the time of the Bosnian clash no nation in Europe desired war, and only Germany was ready. At the moment of the Moroccan dispute Germany backed down because she found France, England and Russia ready and the possible gain incommensurate with the

possible loss a great war might bring. To-day a very considerable faction of German official life believes that only by war can Germany maintain her predominance in Europe and that a few years more of peace will leave her far has caught up with us. Even the prices behind Russia in strength in resources and in allies. To-day she can count on Austria and probably Italy. To-morrow Austria may have fallen apart, but Russia, England and France are not likely to grow weaker.

The challenge Austria has issued to Russia, then, is Germany's challenge. It is also her own declaration of a determination to fight for her existence. Russia has enlisted Servia and Rumania | Yorkers are much freer with their on her southern boundary. Russia has promoted Slav aspirations and dislovalty in Austria. Now Russia must leave Servia to her fate, abandon her schemes to destroy Austria within and without, she must publicly confess she cannot aid her weaker Slav allies, or she must fight. Austria prefers to be destroyed by war rather than by the attrition of intrigue.

If France and Great Britain stand supremacy.

The worst phase of the present crisis is that neither Alliance nor Entente can tria has been made in such fashion that French priests at Zacatecas. it leaves Russia no visible choice between war and dishonor. German official and the Triple Entente.

It is the combination of all of these

The Souventr Flend.

guilty in a court in Scotland to pur- on them. Once again it is made plain bureau in the Robert Burns cottage at piece of brass was taken as a souvenir, the Ægean, and in the case of Servia that he was intoxicated when he committed the outrage. The souvenir fiend window of a saloon in Passaic, New a vandal from pure lust of appropriat- and profitable. Whatever the proprieing what is held in reverence by others. To prevent this Austria resorted to and he glories in the outrage. In this giving the Good Book a wider circuent Mme. Callaux. "I return to that desperate tactics. Like Germany, she case the defendant was no doubt as lation. It still continues to be the best poor woman, there" (gesture). Sobs. had expected Turkish victory, and the sober as the Judge who sentenced him of "best sellers." "You know why I left you," says the Osmanli ruin found her unprepared, and withheld a prison sentence because. former Mme. Calllaux. Subdued ap Toward Servia she adopted bullying as he said, "Americans have different plause. "Monsieur Calllaux, you are tactics. To break up the Balkan alli-ideas about such matters than prevail doned?

> The more's the pity. It is a true bill. the United States and is rife where it should be most rare; that is, where vispresent upon their honor. Americans

The Identification Mark.

We wonder if JIM BENNETT, the seat after her testimony, is hailed with Meantime, as the situation of Aus. drunken desperado and outlaw, now at tria had been compromised abroad, it large in the wilds of Nevada, happens

The Dog in the City.

While Commissioner GOLDWATER of the Health Department is not likely to

As many hotels bar dogs, why too, is full of rhetoric and dramatic in proved, whose national aspirations were prepared to take care of it. Even

After all, the town is no worse for the average dog than for the average person: both would be healthier and therefore happier in the suburban district, where they could take more ex-

longer endured with patience the ercise and get more sunlight and New York, like all other great cities, will always have its dogs, although dogs sometimes have rables and become tion." a public danger. The thing to do is to regulate the keeping of dogs and pro- this: The Massachusetts Legislature, for tect people from hydrophobia, and it is reasons of its own, provided that when the not very difficult. Allow no stray dogs shares of Boston and Maine stock were on the streets. Take them to the pound, sold each certificate should be rubber and destroy them humanely if they are not claimed within a certain time. A

other person. There is really no reason in the selling value of the stock. rables and hydrophobia, both of which we have no doubt are now very much exaggerated, would be heard of no more, or seldom.

The report that Mr. Wilson has decided to keep out of the political battle in this State is probably, true. He would have little to gain and a good deal to lose by mingling in the fray. He remembers with chagrin what happened in the Seventh New Jersey Congress district. There he burned his fingers and they are tingling yet.

The promise of taxi competition with cabs at 35 and 25 cents a mile suggests that a wave of practical common sense quoted are double and 50 per cent, ahead of the rates charged in London and Paris. There should be ample profits in them as well as a vast advantage to the public. The money in taxicabs is to be made not by restricting but by popularizing their use. There is no reason why they should not be almost as generally patronized from the Battery to Fiftyninth street as they are in the central section of London. There is no essential difference in conditions, and New money for small indulgences than Londoners of the ordinary type. The busi-ness has been strangied here by the blind greed of its promoters

Captain EBERLE of the armored cruiser Washington reports from Puerto Plata: rifle firing between 9 and 10 "Sharp o'clock last night southwest side of Puerto Plata, with no results and no casualties reported."

A genuine Santo Domingo battle, in which everybody lives to fight another with Russia her decision cannot be day. The mulatto republic (in the regrants for herself. But this time the mistaken. If France and Russia are Pancho Villa yet.

> The truth about Francisco Villa would doubtless acquit him of some of CLAUSSE of the French embassy Washington, who reports to the State Department that agents of his Governnow escape war without tremendous exonerate General VILLA from personal loss of prestige. The challenge of Aus- responsibility for the killing of two

It is time for men who pretend to found expression ever since in the utterance gives the thing the value of press and in the utterances of many of an issue between the Triple Alliance and think less of themselves.—The Hon. JOB E. HEDGES.

Is a personal application intended in this crisp remark by Mr. Henges?

to raise their prices so as to rake in from ten to fifty times the amount of An American citizen has pleaded the premiums that the new law imposes

Atchison claims the champion washerwoman in a veteran who has washed the clothes of one family for fifty full Some merit should be allowed her employers for furnishing her with all the soap she asked for during half a entury and providing her with a midday meal that suited her palate.

Bibles are displayed in the plate glass tor's motive may be, the W. C can hardly object to this means of There was a time when New York hotels placed a Bible in the room of every guest. Why has this admirable practice been aban-

one has earned detachment and se-

The Class in Political History. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: By the way, did the Colonel upon becoming a candidate for Governor in 1898 write a

letter denouncing Boss Platt?
Brooklyn, July 24. Forgetful.

Invocation.

Then cried I. "Lord, Thou Who hast bidden me pray.

These many years have I by night and day Petitioned Thee, and yet no answer known Art deaf or powerless on Thy distant throne?"

Then spake a low voice present in mine ear Sayst that thou dost pray and I not hear, Who am nearer than thy hand is near? thou, vociferous by night and day,

'I heed not windy words nor foolish tears. And though thou seekest thus a the years, A thousand years thou shalt unanswered be And yet I say, pray theu, and ceaselessly, And what thou prayest shall be given to

Who looking in thy soul shall there find Me Desire, with passion deeper than the sea; Believe that I, thy God, will uphold thee; And in My name command, and it shall be

And thine to cast the mountain in the sea; And thine to wreak slow vengeance day by Upon earth's mightiest, till, forlorn and gray,

HAVEN DIRECTORS.

The "Slight Pretext."

From the New Haven Register True to his tendency to run all departments of the Government himself, President Woodrow Wilson as prosecuto brings suit to dissolve the New Haven road. He is puzzled and shocked, as a schoolmaster should be, at the disobedience to orders shown by the railroad's management. The failure to dissolve the system "on so slight a pretext" seems to him "inexplicable and without justifica-

The "slight pretext" is substantially stamped to this effect : "To be surrendered to the State of Massachusetts when it chooses to buy." This unprecedented restray dog should be defined as a dog quirement would have caused a depreciaunaccompanied by his master or some tion of at least \$10,000,000, it is said,

why an unleashed dog running in the! To an academic and unmercenary city should not wear a light muzzle all idealist like Woodrow Wilson \$10,000,000 the year round. With such regulation, may seem a negligible sum of money. To a railroad in the condition of the New Haven it means a great deal. The President's designation of this as a slight pretext is a fair illustration of his appreciation of finance and business.

The Government, Not the Directors, . to Blame for Disastrous Results.

From the Springfield Republican. Being now under compulsion to detach itself from the Boston and Maine, the New Haven company may fairly raise the question, as one requiring impartial de-termination, whether the Massachusetts "string" legislation, in narrowing the market for the sale of the shares compared

property of the corporation.

Here was an entirely new condition inwere fully justified in the course they thereupon pursued in seeking a readjusted basis of settlement, in the voluntary again, most of them are improvident. The agreement for dissolution with the Federal Government. They had a right to appear to business life, generally known nothing of proach the Attorney-General with a plea basis of Government. They had a right to approach the Attorney-General with a plea proach the Attorney-General with a proposed the Attorney-General with a proposed the strength of the terms of voluntary dissolution, to every item of which they still adhered except in the one particular of the sale of the Boston and Maine shares. And, further, in case the Maine shares. And, further, in case the control of the sale of the Boston and Maine shares. And, further, in case the control of the sale of the Boston and Maine shares. And, further, in case the control of the wife does not know how to buy and the products from bakeries and delicatessen stores as a sole diet, and as most of them yearn for relief from lodging and boarding houses, they do not wish to aggravate their rejecting the voluntary agreement pre-viously sanctioned by both sides, but still requiring the unqualified sanction of the requiring the unqualified sanction of the Massachusetts Legislature, and from and friends they have learned that some standing on the company's inherent right to a judicial determination of all the equities in the case in the courts of the lections of the surplus funds they previously the surplus funds they previously the same of the surplus funds they are same of the same of t

United States. The Republican is very far from complaining because the Government is re-solved to enforce the law: it does not complain because of any honest disagree-ment between the Department of Justice and the New Haven directors in the final shaping of the voluntary agreement; but what nonsense it is to accuse the directors what nonsense it is to accuse the directors of culpably quibbling and unjustifiably breaking a covenant "solemnly entered into," and how unfair it is to fix upon them "the sole responsibility" for whatever disastrous results to New England may ensue from a protracted dissolution suit.
If there were less politics all around in the enforcement of the anti-trust law the situation would be happier to contemplate.

The President's Baseless Charge Against Dr. Hadley and Others. From the Boston Transcript

Regarding his remarkable letter to the Attorney-General in which the President, without producing a scintilla of evidence. harges Dr. Hadley and the other new directors of the New Haven with failure to "carry out an agreement deliberately and solemnly entered into," there is this to be said: When any one, even the President of the United States, accuses the president of Yale University of bad faith, of failure to live up to his agreement, New Englanders are "from Mis-souri." They remember that no board of believe that his service on the reorganized directorate of the New Haven has been the attraction of sex the world could not so on, but the question is, do we want characterized by the same fidelity to honor and integrity that make him so valuable an asset not only to Yale but to the nation.

Do we like to think that men's votes upon important future questions may turn to the nation.

acted upon the advice of their counsel, who, be it understood, were retained with the approval of President Wilson and one of whom, Mr. Moorfield Storey, was sugselves into the service of their counsel, they turn all into politics? gested as counsel by an official of the Department of Justice.

Solely because Dr. Hadley and his fel-

low directors are following the advice of counsel, in the wisdom of which they wholly believe, the President sees fit to indict them one and all for "failure to carry out an agreement deliberately and solemnly entered into." The facts are against the President.

Confiscation. From the Providence Bulletin

The present attitude of our next neighbor State suggests how short a step it is from the present position of the Legislature to the appropriation of the property of its citizens, not at a fair market price I am through with Mexico .- General but at a price based on a low value created by laws passed in order that the Another Spanish American dictator in State may possess itself of the property. exile, but in this case the expatriated It would be a sort of seizure of private holdings about on a par with the acts of a certain type of revolutionary govern-

Looking for a Fight.

THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: may be only dreaming, but it seems to me as if mankind were at the present mo-ment in a state of ferment. You see signs of it at many points.

We are all the time becoming more civilized, but under that veneer man ap-pears to be still about the same old brute. pears to be still about the same old brute

and as ready as ever to fight.

Things seem to be bubbling now in various parts of the world, and I look to ee large doings somewhere before long NEW YORK, July 25.

Compliments From Pennsylvania To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: "Ce phalic tumidity": mysterious words! My "lamps" lit upon them in The Sun. Now, why is it? I opine not two out of ten readers of THE SUN know its meaning.

THE SUN takes much pleasure in its intellectual aloofness, but why not occasionally get down to the kindergarten level so

policies; however, we will excuse it for that ragary, since its evident mission in ock." We "Pennsylvania Dutch." who like Sun, would respectfully implore it to descend to language we can readily assimi-late. Please! It is too inconvenient to carry a Webster Unabridged.

LEBANON, Pa., July 24. A. H. RICKERT.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: May add another word to the black list? Even in our "best families" you fre quently hear the aeroplane referred to NEW YORK, July 26.

THE ARMY WORM.

How to Fight the Embattled Crawlers With Trench or Drag.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: best weapon against the ravaging army worm is trenching. Make the trench two féet deep, of the same width and long enough to cross the whole army face. The worms falling into it will not climb out, but the trench must be watched, as if permitted to accumulate they

There are several ways of clearing the There are several ways of clearing the trench; either shovel up the worms into baskets or barrows and burn them, crush them with a heavy pestle in the trench bottom, or if it is long enough to require it, drag something heavy, a stone or log. up and down the length of it two or three times a day. imes a day.

times a day.

A lawn trench had better have the worms removed, as after crushing there is an unpleasant smell. I have seen hay and grain fields saved by the drag, which was horse drawn. The army worm is true to name, moving in close order, with almost perfect alignment, rarely ever deflecting front except when the food supply is abruptly broken. I am rather surprised at its appearance thus late in the season. In Tennessee it is a May visitant eason. In Tennessée it is a May visitant most commonly, appearing when wheat is in the milk, oats in the boot and meadow grasses just fairly heading.

Whatever the season, it is a pest, a plague that should be exterminated by concerted action. As I see things, Uncle Sam might better spend his money, his power and his powder on this and kindred armies than waste them on peace diva-gations among folk to whom peace is in gations among folk to whom peace is the nature of an impertinence.

MARTHA MCCULLOCH-WILLIAMS.

NEW YORK, July 24.

WIVES AND WAGES.

Shallow View of the Superior Attractiveness of "Demure Little Things." To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Your orrespondent, "N. W. N." hears that orrespondent. saleswomen, stenographers and

with what the market was when the shares book- when the shares were bought, does not inequitably force a shrinkage in the value of the property of the corporation.

Here was an entirely new condition injected into the situation, and in view of the tremendous losses already borne by the stockholders the New Haven directors articles dear to the female heart. The young fellows contemplating matri-mony earn from \$12 to \$25 a week, and

misery by the companionship of a wife in

ously had to spend. Finances being contracted, those irreconcilable are apt to re-pine, and the devil is to pay. The home girl of the middle poor class

knows a great deal about economical housekeeping, cooks, washes, scours and is handy with the needle. "Dad" rarely has the means to make her a liberal allowance, and her attire and amuse infre-are simple and inexpensive. The infre-quency of association with men leads to dependence, demureness and other quali-ties that sensible fellows like. M. NEW YORK, July 25.

SEX ATTRACTION. Do the Men Folk Want This Mighty Mag-

net Brought Into Polities? TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I lately of two young girls going to Wall street to speak in the street for woman suffrage, and according to the report in one paper they had great suc-

nd attractive.

Years ago. On the other hand, the for the first time, whether men who are streets at \$2,739,181, and influenced by such speeches would really are said to be entirely too like to have feminine attractiveness enter largely into politics in future days. The pointed out attraction of sex is the cause of half the Mr. Cladin

to the nation.

President Hadley and the directors who stand with him in refusing to accept the new condition imposed by the Massachusetts Legislature upon the New Haven's sale of its Boston and Maine stock have to take that side? Is not this one of the many questions for men to decide before they turn all the women of this country supply the sale of their counsel. many questions for men to decide before they turn all the women of this country into politics? The excitable and intense manner in which they will throw them-selves into the subject can be seen al-ready in our own country. C. FRAMINGHAM, Mass., July 25.

Mayor Riddie's Curlosity About Miss Edelsohn's Views.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I read your editorial article of yesterday morning about Becky Edelsohn. I am curious, and doubtless many thousands of

starve to death; but it will create great public sympactly if you demand forcible feeding and perform the cruelties that were performed in the English fails.

I have this single that you may listen.

WILLIAM RIDDLE,

Wayo ATLANTIC CITY, July 24.

time ago a colleague at a German university remarked to me: "Very funny country, the United States. We had a United States

Did Shakespeare Use the Split Infinitive? To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In THE In the SUN of July 19 "Syn-tact-1-cus(s) Doctor" boarding

An Orange Glow.

To the Editor of the Stn—Sir: Last evening standing in front of the hotel I noticed a beautiful orange glow in the sky. I called a gentleman standing by to note it and said, "Isn't that beautiful?" He replied, "Yes, that's the yellow in the Pitts—other boarding officer, Mr. Steinsen, because of duty about twelve years. piled. "Yes, that's the yellow in the Pitts-burg baseball writers. We have noticed it ON THE WING. PITTSBURG, Pa., July 24.

CLAFLIN NOW WAITS MOVE BY CREDITORS

Expects a Request That He Ex. plain His Hinted Plan of

MUCH WORK ON ACCOUNTS

Reorganization.

Situation Will Be Clarified in Two Weeks When Retail Stores Report Is Made.

John Claffin, president of the H. R. Claffin Company and owner practically of the retail dry goods stores in country and Canada affected by Claffin fallure, is strongly hopeful that his plan of reorganization will be accepted by the receivers and creditors. He hinted at the plan in his statement to the creditors Friday and put himself in the position of waiting for a request from the creditors to ask what his plan was. He has promised to back that plan with

every dollar he possesses. The report of the expert accountants shows the John Claffin account, which was transferred to the H. B. Claffin Company after the failure, included the United Mercantile Companies. The account further showed that Mr. Claffin had gathered to gether under the United Mercantile Companies stocks and properties which he valued at \$20,425,568, but that against those assets there had been discounted notes indorsed by the H. B. Claffin Company amounting to \$16,473,347, leaving apparent assets of \$3,952,221.

The assets of the United Mercantile Companies, as set forth in the report. show stock in controlled companies, par, \$6,274,700, but set down at a value of \$11,194,487; investments in affiliated companies of a total of \$6,874,417, including \$6,268,000 par value of United Dry Goods Companies common stock, set down at par, but quoted on the exchange at 25; other investments of \$302,311.49, including \$400,000 par value stock of J. H. Dunham & Co., valued at only \$40. 000, and also the equity in the site of the McGreery property in Thirty-fourth street of \$2,013,859, which, however, has been assigned as security to the United Dry Goods Companies, and also the Bedford Company property in Brooklyn, set down

at \$129,493. Those are the properties gathered under the United Mercantile Companies, but the H. B. Claffin Company owned certain of the dry goods stores and has invest-ments in various affiliated companies. The apparent scheme of Mr. Claffin is to gather all those retail stores together into one big corporation. He made no mention of the H. B. Claffin Company proper in his statement of Fri-day, but he holds that the earnings of those stores are more than enough to pay the interest on all the \$35,000, notes of the stores outstanding.

Some of the creditors are not in favor of Mr. Claffin's plan as they understand though it has not been fully outlined. fully known when the report of the retail

report in one paper they had great success in making converts and collecting money for their cause. The reporter dwelt upon the fact that they were young and attractive.

The account set of the interesting features is the carrying of the J. H. Dunham & Co. stock at 40, whereas the stock is said to be worth par. The stock was put on the books at the purchase price of many years are the purchase price of t

re said to be entirely too high.

The report of the accountants, it was pointed out yesterday, does not show wh

of discounting notes was carried on for from ten to twenty years, and it will take much time to follow the various

SHIP BOARDING OFFICERS GO.

Efficiency Wave Sweeps Away 014 John of Two Veterans.

The boarding officer, who has been a customs institution so long that no living customs man knows when he did not exist, is going to be abolished. It has been his duty to go down the bay on revenue cutters and board incoming cargo and morning about Becky Edelsohn. I am curious, and doubtless many thousands of other readers of The Sun are curious to know just what Miss Edelsohn thinks, what she proposes and what she believes in. Of course, like all other good Americans, I have no patience with such slush as anarchy, but can you not get a letter signed by that girl, telling us what she aims and hopes for?

Also, will you listen to my criticism that I think it is wrong to force a person to eat when they don't want so eat? It would seem to me that that is a matter would seem to me that that is a matter of the port after the docking of districts of the port after the docking of districts of the port after the docking of districts of the port after the docking of the port after the procedure temporation. passenger ships, receiving from them their to eat when they don't want so eat? It formed as effectually in the ten inspection would seem to me that that is a matter of one's own disposition.

It formed as effectually in the ten inspection districts of the port after the docking of the vessels. The inspector in charge of of one's own disposition.

It would effect more good to let them each district will after Friday take the were performed in the English fails.

You have no more loyal reader, nor one who appreciates The Sun more highly than I do, and I particularly enjoy its editorials for their frankness and freedom from bigotry and prejudice. Therefore, I have this slight claim to recognition in that you may listen.

that have arrived at Quarantine. Here to fore cargo vessels often have kept revenue cutters from liners more than an hour, the cutters boarding the cargo catriers on the way down the bay. The riers on the way down the bay. The cutters will not leave the Battery so ear in the morning as formerly,

There are at present only two hering officers, James Little and How Consul here who could not speak a word of German; now there is one here who does not speak English."

William Les Howard.

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In the first part of his a ally get down to the kindergarten level so we stupid ones can understand?

I love The Sun, whether prompted by delecuriosity due to its ponderous, intellectual impressiveness, or a desire unquenchable for mental food and uplift. I must needs confess I am unable to decide. There is a noticeable vindictiveness in The Sun's hostility in its discussion of prominent men and their in the sunset of them in recent years have not up into the hundreds, but in the suse of the sunset o

Plan to Pick Market Secretary.

All Men.

David was commenting in his wrath.

"If a man says he had a good time on his vacation he lies, and if he says he had a good time at home he lies."

The Civil Service Commission has adopted a plan for the examination of aspirants for the \$4,000 a year secretary. ship of the newly created market commission. A date will be set for the receipt of applications as soon as possible.